



# Puente Hills Landfill PARK MASTER PLAN



The LA County Department of Parks and Recreation would like to thank the hundreds of community members that participated in the series of three workshops held between August – November 2015 to help shape the vision for the County's newest regional park!

We are excited to share the Final Park Concept for the long range plan that will transform one of America's largest former landfills into a recreational asset for the region. Please join us as the process continues at our next community workshop:

## Final Park Concept + Environmental Scoping Meeting Wednesday, January 27, 2016

6:30-8:30 pm Don Julian Elementary School  
13855 Don Julian Road, La Puente, CA 91746

This meeting is part of the public scoping process for the Environmental Impact Report (EIR).

The Notice of Preparation (NOP) and Initial Study (IS) documents are available online at [www.puentehillslandfillpark.org/library](http://www.puentehillslandfillpark.org/library). The public scoping period is Dec. 18, 2015 - Feb 1, 2016.



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## WHAT IS THE MASTER PLAN?

The Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) is in the process of developing a Master Plan to convert about 115 acres of the 1,365-acre Puente Hills Landfill into a County regional park. Community involvement is at the heart of this planning effort. Thus, we are inviting you to help shape the vision for the new park. Specifically, we are reaching out by conducting interviews with key stakeholders, holding community workshops, setting up a project information booth at various community events, providing a project website that will be updated regularly, and spreading the word via social media. An environmental impact report (EIR) will also be prepared as part of this process to analyze the potential impacts of the proposed park and ensure that appropriate measures are implemented to eliminate or reduce any impacts identified.

## WHAT ARE THE STEPS OF THE MASTER PLAN PROCESS?

- April – July 2015                      Develop Technical Planning Studies
- August – September 2015           Shape a Vision for the Site
- September – October 2015        Develop/Present Alternative Park Concepts
- November – December 2015      Prepare/Present the Preferred Park Concept
- January – July 2016                Prepare the Park Master Plan & Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
- September – October 2016        Present the Park Master Plan to the Board of Supervisors

## HOW CAN YOU BE INVOLVED IN THIS PROCESS?

- Attend and participate in the following five (5) Community Workshops:
  - Community Visioning Workshop – August 24, 2015
  - Alternative Park Concepts Workshop – September 30, 2015
  - Preferred Park Concept Workshop – November 3, 2015
  - Environmental Scoping Meeting – January 27, 2016
  - Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) Meeting – June 2016
- Visit the project website [www.puentehillslandfillpark.org](http://www.puentehillslandfillpark.org) to subscribe to the e-mail list and stay informed about the project, including upcoming mobile events and workshops.
- Attend and participate in Three (3) Mobile Outreach Events – September to October, 2015
- Contact DPR staff if you have any questions or concerns (see information at the bottom of flyer).

## WHAT MAKES THE PUENTE HILLS LANDFILL SITE UNIQUE?

- The Puente Hills Landfill was formerly America's largest landfill. After 56 years of operation, the landfill closed on October 31, 2013. The Sanitation Districts developed the Puente Hills Landfill Final Use Feasibility Study, which established the future of this park for passive use.
- The landfill first opened in 1957 as the privately-owned San Gabriel Valley Dump. The Sanitation Districts purchased the landfill in 1970 for a regional disposal facility.
- Over the years, the facility has employed numerous innovative, environmental approaches including generating electricity from landfill gases, managing materials recovery and recycling programs, and acquiring and maintaining local native habitat as open space and expansive multi-use trails.
- The site borders native hillsides and canyons managed by the Puente Hills Habitat Preservation Authority to the south, the Rose Hills Memorial Park and Mortuaries to the southwest, and Rio Hondo College to the west.
- The site offers various unique features and opportunities such as panoramic views, trail connections, habitat restoration, and waste education and interpretation. However, it is also constrained by challenges such as ongoing, inconsistent ground settling, the continued release of landfill gases as trash decomposes, and the need to maintain and protect the Sanitation Districts' onsite environmental control systems which monitor the conditions of the landfill.